

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday January 14th, 2025, 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chambers
115 N 3rd Street

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday January 14th, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

The meeting was held at the City Hall Council Chambers and on Zoom.

Present: Mayor Ken Williams
Council Member Melanie Cozzi
Council Member Tim Krug
Council Member Terry Schuster
Council Member Kurt Wilson
City Manager Darin DeHaan
City Attorney Paul Chadwick
Chief of Police Matt Kalnins
City Clerk Cheryl Hilton

Also Present: Bill Covell, Aidan Ellsworth, Josiah Flanagan, Earleen Hinton,
George Howe, Joyce Lewis, Chad Ryan, and Andy Shaw.

Present via Zoom: Lynn Baylor-Zies.

Mayor Ken Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Council Member Tim Krug started the pledge of allegiance.

Council Members Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, and Mayor Williams answered roll call. A quorum was present.

Presentation

Joyce Lewis with the Ogle County Health Department spoke to the City Council about food insecurity. Some of the things she spoke about included the Action Grant, mini food centers, growing your own food, sponsors/donations, upcoming educational programs, and poverty simulations.

Public Comment

None.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Melanie Cozzi moved to approve the December 10th, 2024, minutes, Seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Approval of Warrants & Payroll

Council Member Kurt Wilson moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$58,225.99 and the current warrants as listed:

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| Aaron Montoya | \$200.00 |
| Ancel Glink, P.C. | \$505.00 |
| Bill Covell | \$200.00 |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield | \$18,961.96 |
| Bonnell Industries | \$3,087.64 |

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| Breanna Wakeland | \$18.22 |
| Breanna Wakeland | \$50.00 |
| Brooks Jewelers | \$225.00 |
| Butitta Bros. Automotive - Oregon | \$173.25 |
| Caspers Home Inspection LLC | \$1,550.00 |
| Cheryl Hilton | \$250.00 |
| Cintas | \$147.18 |
| Comcast | \$265.63 |
| Comcast | \$827.73 |
| Comcast | \$872.81 |
| ComEd | \$210.33 |
| ComEd | \$804.36 |
| Compass Minerals America Inc | \$8,533.05 |
| Corey Fry | \$200.00 |
| Curran Materials Co | \$418.50 |
| Darin DeHaan | \$450.00 |
| Devin DeHaan | \$200.00 |
| EM Benefits | \$1,831.44 |
| Envision Healthcare | \$320.00 |
| Eric Higby | \$200.00 |
| Fehr Graham | \$53,000.00 |
| Ferguson Waterworks #2516 | \$225.18 |
| Ferguson Waterworks #2516 | \$1,049.72 |
| Fidelity Security Life Insurance | \$175.40 |
| Fischer's | \$393.54 |
| Frontier | \$91.87 |
| Frontier | \$117.68 |
| Galls, LLC | \$13.59 |
| Galls, LLC | \$53.90 |
| Golden Rule Signs | \$10,976.21 |
| Gregory Spencer | \$200.00 |
| Hach Company | \$2,043.37 |
| Hach Company | \$6,710.70 |
| Hagemann Horticulture LLC | \$5,232.00 |
| Hagemann Horticulture LLC | \$11,567.00 |
| Hawkins, Inc | \$425.55 |
| Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police | \$130.00 |
| Jeff Pennington | \$300.00 |
| Jen's Artisan Breads, Ltd | \$375.00 |
| Jordan Plock | \$200.00 |
| Josh Pickering | \$150.00 |
| Ken Williams | \$33.07 |
| Lisa Payne | \$200.00 |
| Lynn Baylor Zies | \$200.00 |
| Manheim Solutions | \$2,592.00 |
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| Martin and Company Excavating | \$4,404.00 |
| Mary Elliott | \$450.00 |
| Matt Kalnins | \$350.00 |
| MCS | \$145.00 |

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| Merlin Hagemann | \$2,276.28 |
| NAPA | \$445.54 |
| National Business Furniture, LLC | \$837.99 |
| Nicor | \$250.57 |
| Northern Illinois Disposal Services | \$24,533.50 |
| O'Brien Civil Works Inc | \$17,128.32 |
| Ogle County Clerk and Recorder | \$60.00 |
| Ogle County GIS | \$1,200.00 |
| Oregon Community Unit School District #220 | \$9,138.09 |
| Oregon Rotary Club | \$115.00 |
| Physicians Immediate Care | \$495.00 |
| Polo Cooperative Association | \$4,430.91 |
| Postmaster | \$9.68 |
| Postmaster | \$58.08 |
| Postmaster | \$757.68 |
| Quill | \$75.27 |
| Quill | \$81.98 |
| Quill | \$212.81 |
| Randy Cropp | \$75.00 |
| Ratworx Warehouse | \$169.00 |
| Ray O'Herron Co, Inc | \$528.99 |
| Ray O'Herron Co, Inc | \$686.07 |
| Republic Services #721 | \$90.09 |
| Republic Services #721 | \$20,550.40 |
| Scott Wallace | \$250.00 |
| Sherwin Industries, Inc | \$1,029.00 |
| Skyler Bethel | \$200.00 |
| Snyder's Pharmacy | \$222.98 |
| Status Network Inc | \$65.09 |
| Sun Life Financial | \$378.51 |
| Sundog IT | \$2,618.15 |
| Sundog IT | \$2,669.04 |
| Taylor Buckwalter | \$150.00 |
| Terry Lester | \$200.00 |
| Terry Lester | \$3,000.00 |
| Timothy Brechon | \$200.00 |
| Trestle Holdings, LLC | \$2,267.58 |
| Uniform Den East, Inc | \$18.30 |
| Uniform Den East, Inc | \$1,421.75 |
| Verizon | \$908.49 |
| Visa | \$834.50 |
| Visa | \$2,006.77 |
| Wiggale LLC | \$4,035.26 |
| Zachary McKean | \$200.00 |
| Zoro Tools, Inc | \$336.84 |
| | \$252,117.39 |

Seconded by Council Member Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Business Items

Public Works Director Bill Covell introduced Aidan Ellsworth to the City Council. Aidan will be working with the water/wastewater department.

Mayor Ken Williams swore in Breanna Wakeland as a City of Oregon Police Officer.

Mayor Ken Williams swore in Officer Timothy Brechon as a Lieutenant for the City of Oregon Police department.

Council Member Terry Schuster moved to approve the 2025 Capital Improvement Projects, Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Council Member Melanie Cozzi moved to approve Ordinance 2025-002 an Ordinance updating 2.08.052 Electronic Attendance at Meetings, Seconded by Council Member Kurt Wilson.

Discussion: The update will follow state law for electronic attendance at meetings.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve Ordinance 2025-003 an Ordinance amending Ordinance 2018-119 an Ordinance amending Lee Ogle Enterprise Zone, seconded by Council Member Kurt Wilson.

Discussion: Andy Shaw provided information on each of the three ordinances being presented to the City Council. He said each ordinance is being presented individually in case something goes wrong with one of the others.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve Ordinance 2025-004 an Ordinance amending Ordinance 2018-119 an Ordinance amending Lee Ogle Enterprise Zone, seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve Ordinance 2025-005 an Ordinance amending Ordinance 2018-119 an Ordinance amending Lee Ogle Enterprise Zone, Seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Proclamations, Commendations, Etc.

None.

Discussion Items

Building Code Updates: City Manager Darin DeHaan asked the City Council to review the ordinance one more time. A demolition section was added to the ordinance. He is also

working with the Oregon Fire Protection District on the fire and life safety code. He hopes to present this ordinance in February for approval.

Committee Reports

Planning: Public Hearing to be held for the Oregon Fire Protection District regarding the variance request submitted.

Economic & Community Development: Creating a focus group of twenty- to thirty-five-year-olds to be included in a one-time meeting to discuss the future of the community and challenges and benefits of living in Oregon.

Sustainability: Representatives from ComEd, Nicor, and solar to meet with local businesses at a Lunch & Learn to be held on March 10th.

Department Reports

Police Chief Matt Kalnins: Thanked City Manager Darin DeHaan for his help.

Public Works Director Bill Covell: They have new software that may help with streamlining projects. A meeting will be held soon regarding the Headworks project.

Mayor Ken Williams said the City Council will be going into Executive Session to discuss and assess ongoing legal matters.

Council Member Terry Schuster moved to enter Executive Session at 6:08 pm., Seconded by Council Member Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Council Member Kurt Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Wilson, Williams. No Nays.

Adjourn: 6:20 P.M.

Ken Williams, Mayor

Attest: _____
Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk